



# EGYPT POND

Vienna Twp., Kennebec County  
Chesterville Twp., Franklin County  
U.S.G.S. Farmington Falls, Maine

## Fishes

Brook trout  
Rainbow smelt  
Minnows  
Golden shiner  
Redbelly dace  
Fathead minnow

White sucker  
Banded killifish  
Pumpkinseed sunfish  
American eel

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 60 acres

Maximum depth - 50 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 71<sup>0</sup>F

46 feet - 43<sup>0</sup>F

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Egypt Pond was experimentally stocked with rainbow trout from 1968 until 1979 when the state-wide rainbow trout program was terminated. Splake (brook trout - lake trout hybrids) were experimentally stocked from 1982 until 1985 in an attempt to provide some trophy size salmonids to the angler. When it was determined that splake yielded no larger fish than brook trout, the stocking ceased.

Egypt Pond was first chemically reclaimed in 1959 and more recently in 1988 to remove species which are known to adversely effect trout growth. Unfortunately, all except one of the original species has become reestablished.

Brook trout grow well in Egypt Pond and have the potential to reach larger than average size, although only a few trout escape the high spring fishing pressure to attain this larger size. Due to the potential of Egypt Pond to produce large brook trout the Department will be experimentally stocking 2 different genetic strains of trout in 1996. This program is part of a statewide project to compare new wild strains of trout and will be followed-up for the next few years. For additional information regarding this project contact the Sidney Regional office.

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